Next week the CIVITAS forum promises to reveal how transport in cities can easily become greener and cleaner

The annual CIVITAS conference is just a couple of days away and is transforming the city of Brest in Northern France to a hotbed of strategies, ideas and achievements for ecological, safe and sustainable transport in Europe and beyond. Now in its 11th year, the 2013 conference is being held from September 30 to October 2 featuring an exciting line-up of speakers and sessions.

A central topic of the conference is investigating how to implement sustainable urban mobility with less, gathering keynote speakers all the way from the UK to Jordan. The sessions will be unveiling a variety of success stories and case studies for alleviating traffic, managing parking, promoting cycling, encouraging walking, introducing electric busses, creating a master plan for urban transport and adopting light rail.

European speakers are coming from numerous cities around the continent, including Aberdeen, Belgrade, Berlin, Gdansk, Lisbon, Perugia, Stuttgart, Toulouse and Utrecht to name a few. Beyond the EU, there will be speakers from the cities of Amman, Beirut, Casablanca and Jerusalem to represent the Euromed region.

As the participants exchange ideas and relate their successes, the keys to revolutionising transport will emerge during this powerful conference that has the potential to help develop much better cities. In addition, the city of Brest will be showcasing its advanced sustainable transport strategy, including an upcoming cable car system.

Brest was chosen for the event as it is a model for clean transport and has reinvented itself in this respect, providing an excellent backdrop for the conference. It represents the perfect example in implementing ‘practical solutions’ that cities can take to decrease CO2 emissions and improve the transport system.

Beyond Brest, there is so much to learn about and appreciate regarding initiatives on sustainable transport. Discover how the Baltic cities are improving their transport policies, how Asian transport networks can inspire Europe, and how hybrid busses are transforming the city of Bremen. These and many other stimulating topics in an event that concerns us all will contribute to making our world a cleaner and better place to live in.
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